

Stockbridge Elevator Company

Alma, Michigan.

WEEKLY QUOTATIONS

Subject to daily advances and declines of Detroit Market.

Oats per bushel.....	41c
Corn per 100 pounds.....	75c
Rye per bushel.....	56c
Clover Seed per bushel.....	\$4.25 to \$4.75
Beans per bushel.....	\$1.25 to \$1.30

Why take your produce elsewhere when we guarantee to pay as much as any market in the county. Hard and Soft Coal, Hard and Soft Wood always on hand, prices right, prompt delivery.

STOCKBRIDGE ELEVATOR CO.

Baled Hay and Straw a specialty.

W. C. VLIET, Manager.

SHARRAR & MULHOLLAND'S,

ALMA, MICH.

Always the Best

is our motto in purchasing Drugs and Medicines, therefore our constantly increasing business. We are headquarters for

Books, Stationery, Tablets
Fine Perfumes, Toilet Articles, etc., etc.

We are now receiving our spring shipments of Wall Paper direct from the mills, new goods arriving each week.

ALWAYS THE CHEAPEST,

SHARRAR & MULHOLLAND,

—THE LEADING—

Druggists and Wall Paper Dealers.

Do you play flinch?

L. H. Hayt went to Ionia Wednesday.

J. W. Howd of Ithaca was in Alma Monday.

W. H. Parr was in Ionia the first of the week.

Harry Parker left for Buffalo last Saturday.

Walter Mallory was in Owosso Wednesday.

Miss Rose Marvin spent Sunday with her mother in Shepherd.

Miss Lulu Wilson is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. H. J. Vermeulen returned home from Toledo last Saturday.

Get a merchant's free ticket and go to the opera house next week.

Mrs. Geo. Sharrar has been ill with the grippe during the past week.

The Record and Michigan Farmer one year for \$1.45, cash in advance.

Mrs. D. M. Peters of Shepherd was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Dean the first of the week.

If you want second hand stoves of any kind call at Brock's shop, in charge of Jas. Ferguson.

R. M. Hyde wishes to purchase several good horses, and from now on will continue to buy and sell.

Miss Bessie Williams of Stampy Ridge was the guest of Maggie Funsten the latter part of last week.

WANTED.—A good, bright active boy to learn the printers' trade. Will give a good boy a good chance. Inquire at this office.

L. H. Hayt was in Ionia the latter part of last week and purchased a bankrupt stock of goods which will be closed out at that place.

Neil McNamara sold his splendid pair of matched bay horses on Tuesday last to M. Eager of Carson City. Consideration, \$350.

James Ronald was called to Marlette the first of the week to attend the funeral of a niece. He was accompanied by his son, C. Ronald.

Mrs. W. Webb was called to Ferris last Tuesday to attend the funeral of her father. She was accompanied by her niece, Miss Edith Palmer.

Warren Hawes has purchased the R. M. Hyde livery stock and took possession on Monday last. Mr. Hawes is an experienced liveryman and should make a success of the business.

Harold T. Finney, well known by many of Alma people, died at his home in Detroit, February 24th, of pneumonia. He was a guest at the sanitarium last winter for three months and was a cousin of Mrs. Hattie Vandyne.

Silas Moody of Forest Hill took the train at this place Wednesday for Sheridan, called there by the illness of his brother-in-law, Jerry Rush, who suffered a stroke of paralysis the first of the week.

Dr. G. A. Munch, the old reliable specialist, will make his next visit to Alma, at the Hotel Arcadia, Saturday, February 15. Call on him if not in perfect health. Cures guaranteed so you run no risk. See advertisement. Pay when cured.

The Detroit Journal of last Wednesday was issued as a special best sugar edition. A general description of the best factories of Michigan was given, accompanied by illustrations of the plants and the men who are chiefly identified with each institution. The write-up and illustrations of the Alma sugar factory and Mr. A. W. Wright filled a half-page. The journal is the first state paper to give an extensive description of this new Michigan industry and its progressiveness is to be commended.

To say that the Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., is a pleasing speaker would be not enough; to say that he was talented would also be too little and to attribute to him the power of entertaining a cultured audience would also lack in praise. He pleased his hearers, entertained them and instructed them and gave to the patrons of the Union Lecture Course an excellent opening of the season.—Topeka Daily Capital. Last number on the lecture course, opera house next Tuesday night. Reserved seats at Sharrar & Mulholland's.

A young girl about sixteen years of age, giving her name as Ethel Clark and home as Leslie, struck Alma Jan. 24, and put up at one of our hotels. Later she went to another hotel where she boarded until Thursday of last week when the sheriff of Grand Rapids came and identified her as Miss Iva Watkins, who had run away from home. Although very young she showed a depraved character far beyond her years and if the sheriff had not come and got her as he did our officers would soon have asked her to leave the town.

On Wednesday of last week C. L. Chadwick was thirty-four years of age and his wife had prepared a surprise party for him, but as he was confined to the house with rheumatism it was decided to postpone the party until such time as it would be convenient. Mr. Chadwick having recovered from the attack of rheumatism, on Wednesday evening a number of his friends surprised him at his residence just as he was about to retire. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all, the new game of flinch being introduced to assist in the entertainment. Refreshments were served.

W. O. Vliet was in Stanton Wednesday.

Miss Kate Carpenter went to Detroit Wednesday.

Miss Louise Hood has been on the sick list this week.

Before selling your hay see the Stockbridge Elevator Co.

"The Fatal Check" at the opera house Monday night.

Miss Sarah McNamara returned home from Toledo on Tuesday.

A. W. Brock returned home from Minnesota last Wednesday night.

Miss Eugene Sterling of Coldwater is visiting her brother, S. L. Bennett.

Geo. Fink is in Crystal this week putting up his stock of ice for summer use.

Fredrick A. Spencer of Ithaca has been granted a pension of \$8 per month.

Geo. Thompson has been quite ill with bronchitis during the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Palfrey was called to Ithaca the first of the week by the illness of a sister.

All kinds of stoves, heating, cooking and gasoline, can be bought cheap at Brock's shop.

Geo. Willard was in Riverdale Wednesday, serving summons on several parties near that place.

Miss Grace Palfrey returned home on Monday from St. Johns where she had been visiting for the past three weeks.

Mrs. Flora Wise was quite ill the latter part of last week with bronchitis, but at the present writing has recovered.

John Minnick left on Tuesday for Jackson to complete arrangements with the Empire Drill Co. for the season's work.

The mail carriers on the rural free delivery routes out of Alma have ordered new wagons, built on purpose for this service.

David Elliot has sold his eighty-acre farm in Pine River to Jas. Jones and will move onto his farm west of Forest Hill early in the spring.

James Leaman, who has been serving in the 31 U. S. Inf. in the Philippines, is visiting his sister, Miss Phoebe Leaman, in Alma for a few days.

Flinch is the new game that is all the fad in society now. We have the cards for sale at this office, with full instructions as to how the game is played.

You always get the latest in embroidery designs in the Designer. The March number is replete with all the latest in all of its departments. Published by the Standard Fashion Co., New York.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Gratiot county Sunday School association will be held in the Presbyterian church, Alma, February 26 and 27. The full program of the meeting will be published later.

Arrangements have been made by us so that we can send you the Record and the Michigan Farmer one year for \$1.45, cash in advance. This offer is for old subscribers who pay all arrearsages and one year in advance as well as new subscribers.

Mrs. Julia Hammond is advertising an auction sale of stock, farm machinery, etc., on her farm five and one-half miles west of Alma on Friday, Feb. 21. Considerable household furniture will be sold at this sale. The usual terms with U. E. Chandler as auctioneer.

C. C. Rice and T. J. Lockwood, two farmers residing near Portland, were in Alma the latter part of last week interviewing some of the farmers in regard to the benefits of a best sugar factory. They returned home well satisfied with their investigations and will work for a factory at their place.

The dwelling house on the DeGraft farm southwest of Alma burned down on Tuesday last. It was occupied by D. P. Struble, who saved all his household goods. It is stated that the house could have been saved if water could have been procured, but there was none on the farm, and a neighbor, whom it is alleged had a grudge against the owner of the property, refused the fire fighters water, consequently the house was a complete loss.

There was a bad wreck on the Ann Arbor railroad north of Farwell last Monday morning. A freight train broke in two going down Lake George hill, and a terrible collision followed. Brakeman T. Henry was knocked from the train and badly injured. Engineer A. McKerrin and Fireman Wm. McGuire escaped with slight injuries. The wreck happened shortly before the morning passenger train had passed and therefore passengers had to be transferred around, the train at this place being one hour and thirty minutes late in consequence.

Before the preliminary service was over at the Tabernacle yesterday afternoon the vast auditorium was full of people, and Summer street, for a full block in each direction, was thronged with two streams of humanity pouring toward the building to hear Rev. Thomas Dixon Jr. At 2:45 it was necessary to shut and fasten the doors, as the Tabernacle was packed to suffocation, and there was a blockade from the door to Church street, and another extending down to Broad.—Atlanta American. Opera house next Tuesday night. Reserved seats at Sharrar & Mulholland's.

The Hayt & Pierce Co.,

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK.

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Their New Spring Line of

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and have them displayed for your inspection. Spring Dress Goods and Silks arriving daily. Ask to see the New Straight Front Corsets.

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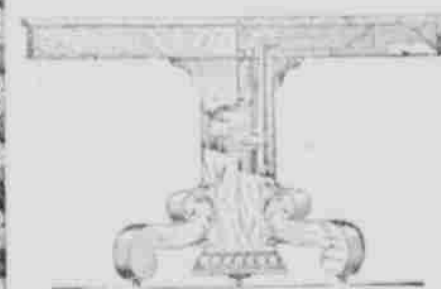
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We will save you money on any piece of Furniture you buy of us. Special prices on

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YOURS TO PLEASE,

JOHN W. DEAN,
UNDERTAKING A SPECIALTY.

Another Call...

A goodly number of our subscribers to whom we sent statements, have responded, but we have many who have not. To those we desire to say that we need the money and sincerely hope they will call in and help us out.

Yours truly,

C. F. BROWN.

HOME and VICINITY.

M. Pollasky was in Ashley Wednesday.

T. J. Clark was in North Star Wednesday.

F. R. Hathaway was in Detroit the first of the week.

Mrs. C. R. Ingersoll has been on the sick list during the past week.

A new steel ceiling is being put into Sharrar & Mulholland's drug store.

Virgil M. Wilson of this place gets an increase of pension to \$10 per month.

Mrs. Sylvester Herron of Riverdale spent Sunday in Alma with her husband.

Miss Mabel Ball of Pittsburg, Mich., visited her brother, Harry Ball, over Sunday.

Morris Messinger left on Monday for the east to select Messinger & Co.'s new stock of spring and summer clothing.

S. L. Bennett, on returning home from Chicago last Thursday, received the sad news that his father had died at his home in St. Joseph. He left for that place on Friday to attend the funeral.

F. R. Hathaway, Geo. P. Blanchard and C. F. Brown attended the meeting of the State League of Republican Clubs in Grand Rapids last Wednesday and in the evening were present at the Lincoln Republican Club of that city.

Flinch cards for sale at this office.

Roy Wagner was in Ithaca Wednesday.

Mrs. Clark Beebe is seriously ill at the time of our going to press.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Post, on Monday, an eight pound girl.

R. M. Hyde has a number of good second hand bargains for sale cheap.

Roy Wetherbee left Thursday for a two weeks' visit with relatives in St. Johns.

Miss Edna Holby of Lakeview was the guest of Miss Bernice Fook over Sunday.

The Lenten season began last Wednesday. Easter comes on March 30th this year.

Ross N. T. Hafer and J. R. Wootton attended the Anti-Slavery League convention in Lansing this week.

Rev. A. B. Bowman is in North Star this week assisting the pastor of the church at that place in revival services.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wilson were called to Breckenridge Sunday on account of the illness of Mrs. Wilson's mother, Mrs. Johnson, of that place.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church will serve a ten cent supper at the home of Mrs. Chas. Humphreys, Wednesday, Feb. 16, from 5:30 until all are served.

R. S. Aldrich, of Saginaw, adjutor for the United States Health & Accident Insurance Co., was in Alma Wednesday adjusting the claim of Geo. Thompson.

Reserved seats for the Thomas Dixon, Jr., lecture at the opera house—the last number of the lecture course—will be placed on sale at Sharrar & Mulholland's drug store Saturday noon.

Ladies clean your gloves with LaBelle's Glove Cleaner. For sale only at Vermeulen's big department store, headquarters for kid gloves in all the desirable shades. Gloves fitted and warranted.

E. J. McCall, one of the publishers of the Oconto County Reporter, Oconto, Wis., was in Alma Thursday, a pleasant caller at this office. Mr. McCall is a brother of the editor of the Gratiot County Herald and well known in this county.

J. H. McGreiner of Sumner has bills out advertising an auction sale of stock, farm machinery, etc., to take place on his farm one-half mile east of Sumner village on Thursday, Feb. 20, commencing at ten o'clock a. m. Lunch served at noon. The usual terms, with C. E. handler as auctioneer.